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Globalization and interdependence

Report of the Second Committee*

Rapporteur: Ms. Tamar **Tchitanava** (Georgia)

1. At its 3rd plenary meeting, on 21 September 2007, the General Assembly, on the recommendation of the General Committee, decided to include in the agenda of its sixty-second session the item entitled:

"Globalization and interdependence:

"(a) Globalization and interdependence;

"(b) Science and technology for development;

"(c) Preventing and combating corrupt practices and transfer of assets of illicit origin and returning such assets, in particular to the countries of origin, consistent with the United Nations Convention against Corruption"

and to allocate it to the Second Committee.

2. The Second Committee held a substantive debate on the item at its 19th and 20th meetings, on 31 October and 1 November 2007. An account of the Committee's discussion of the item is contained in the relevant summary records (A/C.2/62/SR.19 and 20). Attention is also drawn to the general debate held by the Committee at its 2nd to 6th meetings, from 8 to 10 October (see A/C.2/62/SR.2-6). An account of the Committee's further consideration of the item will be provided in the addenda to the present report.

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3. For its consideration of the item, the Committee had before it the following documents:

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Globalization and interdependence

Letter dated 8 October 2007 from the representative of Pakistan to the Secretary-General, transmitting the Ministerial Declaration adopted by the Ministers for Foreign Affairs of the Group of 77 and China at their thirty-first annual meeting, held at United Nations Headquarters on 27 September 2007 (A/62/488)

Letter dated 18 October 2007 from the representative of Pakistan to the Secretary-General, transmitting the final communiqué of the annual coordination meeting of the Ministers for Foreign Affairs of States members of the Organization of the Islamic Conference, held at United Nations Headquarters on 2 October 2007 (A/62/507-S/2007/636)

Letter dated 5 October 2007 from the representative of Belgium to the Secretary-General (A/C.2/62/2)

Item 56 (a)
Globalization and interdependence

Report of the Secretary-General on the impact of international commitments, policies and processes on the scope and the implementation of national development strategies (A/62/303)

Letter dated 4 April 2007 from the representative of Spain to the Secretary-General (A/62/71-E/2007/46)

Letter dated 3 August 2007 from the representative of Benin to the Secretary-General (A/62/216)

Letter dated 17 October 2007 from the representative of Tajikistan to the Secretary-General, transmitting the Bishkek Declaration adopted on 16 August 2007 by the Council of Heads of State of the Shanghai Cooperation Organization (A/62/492-S/2007/616)

Item 56 (b)
Science and technology for development

Report of the Secretary-General (A/62/136)

Item 56 (c)
Preventing and combating corrupt practices and transfer of assets of illicit origin and returning such assets, in particular to the countries of origin, consistent with the United Nations Convention against Corruption

Report of the Secretary-General (A/62/116)

Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Conference of the States Parties to the United Nations Convention against Corruption on its first session, held in Amman from 10 to 14 December 2006 (A/62/85)

4. At the 19th meeting, on 31 October, introductory statements were made by the Director of the Office for Economic and Social Council Support and Coordination

of the Department of Economic and Social Affairs, the Director of the Division for Services Infrastructure for Development and Trade Efficiency of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development and the Chief of the Crime Convention Section of the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (see A/C.2/62/SR.19).

5. At the same meeting, a statement was made by the High Representative for the Least Developed Countries, Landlocked Developing Countries and Small Island Developing States (see A/C.2/62/SR.19).

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Groups of countries in special situations

Report of the Second Committee*

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1. At its 3rd plenary meeting, on 21 September 2007, the General Assembly, on the recommendation of the General Committee, decided to include in the agenda of its sixty-second session the item entitled:

> "Groups of countries in special situations:
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> "(a) Third United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries;
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> "(b) Specific actions related to the particular needs and problems of landlocked developing countries: outcome of the International Ministerial Conference of Landlocked and Transit Developing Countries and Donor Countries and International Financial and Development Institutions on Transit Transport Cooperation"

and to allocate it to the Second Committee.

2. The Second Committee held a substantive debate on the item at its 22nd and 23rd meetings, on 5 and 6 November 2007. An account of the Committee's discussion of the item is contained in the relevant summary records (A/C.2/62/SR.22 and 23). Attention is also drawn to the general debate held by the Committee at its 2nd to 6th meetings, from 8 to 10 October (see A/C.2/62/SR.2-6). An account of the Committee's further consideration of the item will be provided in the addenda to the present report.

3. For its consideration of the item, the Committee had before it the following documents:

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Item 57
Groups of countries in special situations

Letter dated 8 October 2007 from the representative of Pakistan to the Secretary-General, transmitting the Ministerial Declaration adopted by the Ministers for Foreign Affairs of the Group of 77 and China at their thirty-first annual meeting, held at United Nations Headquarters on 27 September 2007 (A/62/488)

Item 57 (a)
Third United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries

Report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of the Programme of Action for the Least Developed Countries for the Decade 2001-2010 (A/62/79-E/2007/63 and Corr.1)

Report of the Secretary-General on the advocacy strategy on the effective and timely implementation of the Programme of Action for the Least Developed Countries for the Decade 2001-2010 (A/62/322)

Letter dated 3 August 2007 from the representative of Benin to the Secretary-General (A/62/216)

Item 57 (b)
Specific actions related to the particular needs and problems of landlocked developing countries: outcome of the International Ministerial Conference of Landlocked and Transit Developing Countries and Donor Countries and International Financial and Development Institutions on Transit Transport Cooperation

Report of the Secretary-General on the status of preparations for the midterm review of the implementation of the Almaty Programme of Action: Addressing the Special Needs of Landlocked Developing Countries within a New Global Framework for Transit Transport Cooperation for Landlocked and Transit Developing Countries (A/62/226)

Letter dated 30 July 2007 from the representative of Mali to the Secretary-General (A/62/256 and Corr.1)

Letter dated 9 October 2007 from the representative of Mongolia to the President of the General Assembly (A/C.2/62/4)

Letter dated 5 October 2007 from the representative of Mali to the Secretary-General (A/C.2/62/5)

Letter dated 30 October 2007 from the representative of Mongolia to the President of the General Assembly (A/C.2/62/9)

4. At the 22nd meeting, on 5 November, the High Representative for the Least Developed Countries, Landlocked Developing Countries and Small Island Developing States made an introductory statement (see A/C.2/62/SR.22).

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Eradication of poverty and other development issues

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1. At its 3rd plenary meeting, on 21 September 2007, the General Assembly, on the recommendation of the General Committee, decided to include in the agenda of its sixty-second session the item entitled:

"Eradication of poverty and other development issues:

"(a) Implementation of the first United Nations Decade for the Eradication of Poverty (1997-2006);

"(b) Women in development;

"(c) Human resources development"

and to allocate it to the Second Committee.

2. The Second Committee held a substantive debate on the item at its 23rd, 24th and 25th meetings, on 6 and 8 November 2007. An account of the Committee's discussion of the item is contained in the relevant summary records (A/C.2/62/SR.23-25). Attention is also drawn to the general debate held by the Committee at its 2nd to 6th meetings, from 8 to 10 October (see A/C.2/62/SR.2-6). An account of the Committee's further consideration of the item will be provided in the addenda to the present report.

3. For its consideration of the item, the Committee had before it the following documents:

Item 58
Eradication of poverty and other development issues

Letter dated 30 May 2007 from the representative of Morocco to the Secretary-General (A/62/155)

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Letter dated 5 September 2007 from the representative of Nicaragua to the Secretary-General (A/62/371)

Letter dated 26 September 2007 from the representative of Nicaragua to the Secretary-General (A/62/372)

Letter dated 10 October 2007 from the representatives of El Salvador, Honduras and Nicaragua to the Secretary-General (A/62/486)

Letter dated 8 October 2007 from the representative of Pakistan to the Secretary-General, transmitting the Ministerial Declaration adopted by the Ministers for Foreign Affairs of the Group of 77 and China at their thirty-first annual meeting, held at United Nations Headquarters on 27 September 2007 (A/62/488)

Letter dated 18 October 2007 from the representative of Pakistan to the Secretary-General (A/62/507-S/2007/636), transmitting the final communiqué of the annual coordination meeting of the Ministers for Foreign Affairs of the States members of the Organization of the Islamic Conference, held at United Nations Headquarters on 2 October 2007

Item 58 (a)
Implementation of the first United Nations Decade for the Eradication of Poverty (1997-2006)

Report of the Secretary-General (A/62/267)

Letter dated 19 June 2007 from the representative of Pakistan to the Secretary-General (A/62/211)

Item 58 (b)
Women in development

Report of the Secretary-General (A/62/187)

Item 58 (c)
Human resources development

Report of the Secretary-General (A/62/308)

4. At the 23rd meeting, on 6 November, introductory statements were made by the Assistant Secretary-General and Special Adviser on Gender Issues and Advancement of Women (under sub-item (b)); the Director of the Office of Economic and Social Council Support and Coordination of the Department of Economic and Social Affairs (under sub-item (c)); and the Chief of the Social Integration Branch, Division for Social Policy and Development of the Department of Economic and Social Affairs (under sub-item (a)) (see A/C.2/62/SR.23).